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American official also hinted the U.S. might threaten to block the possible sale to Pakistan of U.S. A-7 light-attack bombers that Kissinger received assurances that Pakistan would forego any potential to make nuclear weapons.

Pakistan, alarmed by India's nuclear explosion in 1974, has contracted to buy French atomic-fuel reprocessing facilities that would produce ingredients for atomic weapons.

Under terms of newly-drafted U.S. legislation, any country which acquires or supplies such equipment can be denied American aid unless the president rules such aid is essential.

Kissinger, who arrived here after a five-hour visit to Afghanistan, explained to explain the possible effects of the new law to Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, U.S. officials said.

Pakistan is scheduled to receive \$332m in U.S. economic assistance, Bhutto was at the time believed to have a fairly extensive list of U.S. weapons he felt were necessary to counter India, which makes its own arms and receives others from the Soviet Union. But there have been no major arms deliveries to Pakistan since the embargo was lifted.

The U.S. plans to sell Pakistan an old destroyer and \$28m. worth of optically-guided anti-tank missiles, officials said.

The U.S. sympathizes with Pakistan's concern about India's new nuclear potential, U.S. officials said, but it has nevertheless made the strongest representations against Pakistan's acquisition of reprocessing equipment.

Pakistan has only one small reactor to provide the spent fuel for a reprocessing plant and is not likely to be able to produce plutonium for at least 10 to 15 years, the officials said. (Renter)

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the nearby Tel el-Zaata camp.

For several days, a convoy of trucks with household goods had moved in the opposite direction as many Moslem civilians from Nabas were allowed to take their belongings with them and go to leftist-held west Beirut.

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By YOEL DAE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETULLA — Southern Lebanese citizens will be able to visit their relatives in Israel according to a decision by the Interior Ministry and the IDF which went into force yesterday.

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Shooting at bus

which devoted three sessions to the issue.

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A handgrenade exploded yesterday morning outside the Hebron Labour Exchange, neighbouring the city hall. Windows in the vicinity were shattered but there were no casualties. This was the second blast in two days in Hebron. The

NAIROBI — Uganda yesterday indicated readiness to pursue its peace agreement with Kenya by releasing 24 tanker-lorry drivers and 75 other Kenyans detained here "for their own safety."

However, there has been no official announcement here that Kenyatta had signed the memorandum which formally ends the "state of belligerency" between the two East African states. A Kenya Government spokesman said he was awaiting a statement from Mombasa.

The announcement was the first official confirmation that Kenyans had been held in Uganda. There had been persistent news reports here that Kenyans had been jailed by Ugandans during the past month of strained relations.

Kenya also officially accused its neighbour of indiscriminate murder of Kenyans in Uganda.

Tension between the two countries followed the Israel commando raid on Entebbe airport five weeks ago to rescue more than 100 hijack

At the end of June, the government expelled Libyan charge d'affaires Milod Sedik — the highest ranking Libyan diplomat in Cairo — for circulating "seditious leaflets instigating rebellion" against President Anwar Sadat's regime.

Several Libyans were arrested earlier allegedly for involvement in a May Day bombing plot, and the prosecutor-general demanded the death penalty for them. A bomb allegedly planted by the accused exploded in a street in Alexandria May 1, slightly injuring six persons.

At the time police discovered other bombs in an Alexandria suburb, a radar station west of the port city and a Nile delta winery before they could explode.

(UPI, AP)

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first went off 'outside the city's
Alia hospital on Saturday. A num-
ber of local residents have been de-
tained for questioning.

Sabotage activity in Hebron occurred as the city ignored a commercial shutdown which went into its second week yesterday in Ramallah. Nabliis, Jenis and Tulkarm, in protest against the imposition of the Value Added Tax on the ground that it is an "Israel levy" which should not be applied in the administered territories. Kallidiya joined the protest yesterday.

A curfew was reimposed on the Nabliis central Casbah market place yesterday for the third time in five days on the outbreak of renewed riots involving mainly women.

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Jerusalem	45	18-27	25	27
Golan	34	15-22	22	25
Nahariya	37	15-22	22	25
Safed	44	15-27	25	28
Haifa	59	24-27	25	28
Tiberias	51	21-24	24	27
Nazareth	43	18-25	27	30
Afula	49	16-20	29	32
Shimon	43	17-25	28	31
Tel Aviv	62	22-29	30	33
B-G Airport	42	18-21	30	33
Jericho	48	22-28	30	33
Gaza	68	22-30	30	33
Beersheva	45	18-20	30	33
Eilat	58	22-27	37	40
Tiran	33	26-35	35	38

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received Druse poet Assad Akl of Shfaram. The poet presented the President with a book of his poems in Hebrew.

President Katzir yesterday also received Shamal Cabana, Ambassador-designate to Rumania, and Mrs. Cabana.

Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu yesterday met with Dr. Johanna Nestor, outgoing Austrian ambassador.

The Knesset Speaker also met with a delegation of 150 Nazareth women graduates of a civic education course conducted by the Information Centre, and with a group of Hebrew school principals and teachers from the U.S.

Prof. Abraham Katsh, president of Dropsie College in the U.S. and Mrs. Katsh, were the honoree guests of Speaker Yeshayahu and Mrs. Yeshayahu.

Rabbi Arthur Herzberg, president of the American Jewish Congress, and Mrs. Herzberg were yesterday guests of the Army for a tour along the northern frontier.

Professor Enrique Baranheim lectures this evening at 8 o'clock on "Reflections on Israeli Music" at the Hebrew University Forum meeting at The United Synagogue Centre, 2 Rehov Agra, Jerusalem.

ARRIVALS

Maurice Chiche, world president of the Movement for North African Jewry and vice-president of the French Sephardi Federation.

Watchdog

(Continued from page one)

in financial administration were not rectified promptly, the door was always open to corrupt practice.

One stumbling block in the Cabinet during the three debates was that Ministers had become accustomed over the years to the Treasury playing a passive role in the inspection process, and acting as a general clearing house for departmental comment on the State Comptroller's complaints.

Gad Ya'acobi (Transport) Shlomo Elie (Police) Shimon Peres (Defence) and Moshe Baran (Labour), among others, said the Finance Minister had no authority to probe into the financial operations of such and every Ministry. As a result Attorney-General Aharon Barak was called in to give an opinion, and he in fact ruled that the State Comptroller's Law gave the Finance Minister powers of inspection.

At yesterday's vote, Defence Minister Shimon Peres was the only one still to object to the intensified inspection procedures, arguing that they were impractical and redundant.

ISRAEL HOOPSTERS BEAT GREECE

MADRID. — Israel hoopsters beat Greece 76-61 in the European youth basketball championships here on Saturday. The Israelis were leading 36-31 at half-time.

The Soviet junior team beat the Yugoslavs 72-71, after 40-35 at half time.

At the end of the fourth day, Yugoslavia leads the first group with nine points, followed by the USSR (8), Greece (7) and Israel with six points. The second group is led by Spain, followed by Italy and Turkey.

The death occurred in London on August 8, 1976, of

CARMEL
(née Epstein)
wife of Joseph C. Gilbert.
Beth Connell Robertson
Jerusalem

The unveiling of the tombstone and a memorial service for the late

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PLO improved Israel's image

Jerusalem Post Staff

The way the PLO is wrecking Lebanon, and the way Israel planned and carried out the Entebbe rescue mission, are two major factors in the recent improvement in Israel's image abroad, Foreign Ministry director-general Shlomo Avineri said yesterday.

He was speaking to the 100 participants in the 1976 Israel Bonds Jerusalem leadership conference, who have been touring the country and meeting with its leaders since their arrival last week.

Prof. Avineri said the Entebbe operation had reversed the image of weak and divided leadership that had characterized Israel in recent years. It had reflected decision-making ability, and as a result Israel's restrained behaviour over the issue of Syrian intervention in Lebanon is now correctly understood abroad.

As a carefully calculated risk rather than as inaction.

Prof. Avineri noted that Israel's information effort is stressing the destructive role played by the PLO in Lebanon. The PLO's success in destroying the only state framework in the Arab world in which Moslems and Christians had lived side by side was ample proof of the falseness of the PLO slogan of a "domestic, secular state" under its auspices. This had awakened certain elements in the West and among the Arabs, he told the Bonds leaders, to the true nature of the PLO — and in this Israel information had played a key role.

Earlier yesterday morning the Bonds leaders laid wreaths at the Har Herzl graves of former chief of staff David Elazar and of Sgan-Ahuf "Yoni" Netanyahu, who fell on the Entebbe mission.

After hearing, and putting ques-



More than 1,000 residents of Sanhedria in northern Jerusalem, protesting yesterday in front of Old Hall over a planned new road bypass with Ramot, behind Ramat Eshkol. They claim traffic passing close to their homes would violate the Sabbath atmosphere. The sign in English reads: "Told (Mayor Kollek), roads can be moved but Shabbat is eternal." (Simpson)

'IDF can block Lebanon attack'

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The army has plans to block possible invasion routes from Lebanon, Chief Engineering Officer Tat-Ahuf Arye Golan said yesterday.

He was speaking at a press conference with military correspondents here on the occasion of Engineering Corps day.

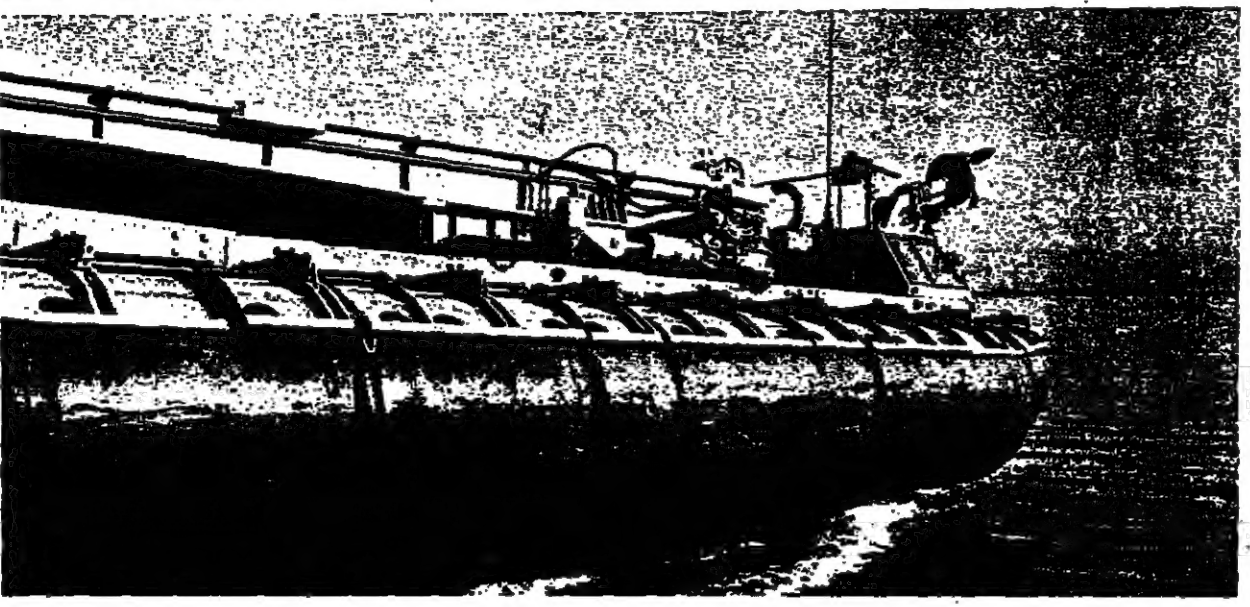
Tat-Ahuf Golan said "the mountainous terrain (on the Lebanese front) is such... that it is very difficult (to carry out) a surprise (attack). You don't have to do much to create a satisfactory obstacle... the problem is budgetary and the minute (the necessary sums) are provided — it can be done."

As to the Syrian frontier he said, "there is one continuous obstacle along the entire border." Tens of thousands of mines were planted there in the last six months alone. There are mine fields practically all over, he added, in addition to anti-tank and other obstacles.

The army has improved and added new positions from which fire could be directed at enemy troops trying to dismantle the mines or bridge the anti-tank ditches, he also pointed out. Golan also disclosed, that the IDF, has acquired amphibious bridges which are a German-French invention. The army has dubbed them "Timsah" (crocodile).

The bridge has its own wheels and engine and can be driven right up to the water front. Theoretically the bridges, which can support tanks, can be built at any length by attaching as many sections as needed.

Gad Zahal, the army radio station, reported that the bridge arrived as scrap in 1971 and was remodelled in the Merkavim plant here. It was the first to straddle the two banks of the Suez Canal during the Yom Kippur war.



Timsah — the 'Crocodile' Bridge.

Government to fight 2 more golds at disabled olympics

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Government will fight a Likud member's attempt to subject it to tighter Knesset control. This was decided unanimously at yesterday's meeting of the Cabinet.

Likud MK Avraham Katz has submitted a private member's bill which calls for Knesset decisions, including decisions of committees on topics referred to them by the plenum, to be binding on the Government. The bill is in the form of an amendment to the Basic Law: Cabinet. It is due for a first reading near the beginning of the Knesset's winter session.

Today's cabinet decision means that the Government will ask the Knesset to strike the bill from the agenda when it is debated for the first time.

In theory, the government parties have a majority on all Knesset committees, as well as, of course, in the plenum itself. But in practice, opposition victories in committee debates are not rare. This is due to low attendance as well as an increasing tendency for coalition MKs to vote with the opposition in committee, when they think the Government is negligent or in error.

Justice Minister Haim Zadok told the Cabinet of the steps he himself had taken to get ministers to pay more attention to Knesset committee decisions. In an initiative apparently unconnected with Katz's bill, he has asked the House Committee to add a clause to House rules requiring Ministers are for the most part unfettered.

Be'er's bill would oblige Ministers gazetting regulations to table them before the Knesset Committee responsible within 10 days. The Committee would then have 45 days in which to amend or repeal the regulations.

Be'er argues that whereas the Knesset is sovereign in regard to normal legislation, it has no control over regulations which are gazetted by the Minister under powers conferred on him by legislation. The citizen is thus subject to the arbitrary rule of the administration, without his elected representatives having the opportunity to intervene, Be'er holds.

Fiscal legislation by regulation is the only type of secondary legislation which generally requires Knesset approval. In other spheres Ministers are for the most part unfettered.

Constitution, which follows the Fast of Tisha B'Av. Elijah is considered "The Prophet of Consolation."

The pilgrimage is especially popular among the Oriental communities and is considered a talisman to assure cures, bring good fortune and suitable marriage partners for bachelors of both sexes.

The pilgrimage is held every year on the day after the "Sabbath of Consolation," which follows the Fast of Tisha B'Av. Elijah is considered "The Prophet of Consolation."

Alignment wants Histadrut elections in Dec. '77

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut elections will be postponed to December, 1977, if Alignment leaders in the labour federation have their way.

At a meeting of the Alignment executive in the Histadrut last week, most members favoured holding elections to the labour federation after those for the Knesset.

The Histadrut constitution stipulates elections be held in the last quarter of the fourth year in office. This means they can be held as late as December 31, 1977. But previous voting in the labour organization was held about a month before the Knesset elections and served as a kind of preliminary for the latter.

Some central committee members favoured elections in the beginning of 1978, but such a postponement requires a majority in the Histadrut council, and according to one report Alignment leaders concluded they could not muster it.

The election date will be decided in the Histadrut council later this year.

One central committee member told The Jerusalem Post he favoured late Histadrut elections because there would then be a smoothly functioning party apparatus to do the campaigning. "Instead of having to start from scratch, we'll have active people and branches. Everything will be organized."

The source also pointed out that in earlier elections, the Alignment lost more votes in the Histadrut (from convention to convention) than it had lost in the Knesset (from one election to the next). This, he believed, was because the party was better organized by the time Knesset elections were held.

Some observers pointed out that Histadrut leaders have often been critical of government policies. Secretary-General Yerubam Meshel, for example, has frequently criticized Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz. If Histadrut elections were held shortly before Knesset elections, and labour leaders in the Histadrut were to pursue this line, they may hurt labour's chances in the Knesset elections, it was noted.

J'lem retailers hit business tax

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hundreds of Jerusalem retailers are once again balking at paying their municipal business tax. The Jerusalem Post learned yesterday.

The level of the city trade levy has led to a bitter dispute in recent years between the Municipal Finance Department and the Jerusalem Merchants Association. The latter claims the Capital's business tax is "hundreds" of per cent higher than those for similar shops in Tel Aviv and Haifa despite the fact that average turnover is lower than in those cities.

Last Friday a special sub-committee of the Municipality's Finance Committee adopted a resolution backing an across-the-board 25 per cent "discount" in current tax bills and recommended that the tax rate not be raised next year. Furthermore, the subcommittee advised a "fundamental study of Jerusalem's business tax structure."

But Merchants Association secretary Avraham Birnbaum told The Post "these recommendations, while well-meaning, do not solve the problem of Jerusalem's retailers. We insist on equitable tax treatment with merchants in other Israeli cities. Our members are therefore withholding their tax payments, and our executive board will soon meet to plan further steps."

Last summer, violence and sit-ins at the Municipality followed attempts by police-assisted bailiffs to seize shops' merchandise in lieu of tax moneys due the city.



THE GREATER JORDAN MOVEMENT. — The symbol, a map including all of pre-1967 Israel within Jordan has been appearing on Jordan Television. Jordan periodically abolishes or annexes Israel on its stamps. The Arabic lettering over the map reads: "Local News." (Harari)

Egged, hired men sign wage pact

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The Egged bus cooperative and its hired drivers last night signed a new wage agreement, accepting the recommendations of the Histadrut committee set up to mediate between them.

Egged was unhappy with the findings of the committee, headed by Naftali Ushpiz, as these were favourable to the hired men's position. But they had agreed in advance to accept these findings.

Egged spokesman Gideon Talmor noted that the Ushpiz committee favoured giving the hired workers premiums as a way to do something about the cuts in the government defence budget and in American aid.

After the Entebbe raid, the fund swelled as contributions from Israelis in all walks of life, and from foreigners who wished to show their appreciation of Israel's feat, streamed into the fund's headquarters.

Yesterday, Dmd Hakvutsoz Vekha-Kibutzim has called for all of its members to participate in the fund raising effort.

Contributions to the fund should be sent to the Israel Defence Voluntary Fund C/O The Ministry of Defence, the Kirya, Tel Aviv.

were to get them, members would also have to. This would mean an increase in fares for passengers, he maintained.

Talmor was reluctant to disclose how the premium system works, or what proportion of the total salary premiums made up. The Jerusalem Post learns, however, that one factor involved is speed. If a driver completes his run quicker enough, he is sometimes able to squeeze two shifts into a single day. Other factors are distance and the number of passengers carried. The Egged spokesman insisted, however, that only in extreme cases was a driver called on to work more than 38 to 40 per cent above normal shift time.

IL35m. for IDF voluntary fund

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Over IL35m. in cash and in pledges — 10 per cent of which comes from abroad and partly from gentiles — has been contributed so far to the Israel Defence Voluntary Fund.

The idea of setting up the fund came from a group of citizens and Defence Minister Shimon Peres a few weeks before the Entebbe operation, as a way to do something about the cuts in the government defence budget and in American aid.

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Murder susp saws self free

NAZARETH. — Police yesterday still searching for suspect Sami Elkayam, who yesterday saved his way through bars of the Beit She'an which he had been moved to Sha'at prison.

Elkayam was one of a group of Sha'at prisoners who were out because prison authorities had murdered former Yefet Nigar, 34, a staged prison riot in June.

Police said yesterday that the sawing appears to be done by a fellow suspect Nigar killing, who had been in Beit She'an cell until a week and apparently managed his hacksaw blade on a wall.

Elkayam was serving a sentence for having, after murder, another Haifa figure.

Exports kept on rising in July

Exports continued to show a strong upward trend in July, with the total value reaching \$1.2 billion, up from \$1.1 billion in June. The increase was driven by a surge in agricultural exports, particularly citrus fruits and vegetables, which saw a 15% increase in value. Industrial exports also showed growth, with machinery and textiles leading the way. The Ministry of Commerce reported that the overall performance was "very satisfactory" and reflected the growing economic activity in the country.

First matric tests out

The first results of last month's matriculation exams have been released, showing a significant improvement in scores compared to previous years. The Ministry of Education announced that the average score for the national exam was 75%, up from 70% in 1977. This success was attributed to the rigorous preparation of students and the high standards of the examination process. The results were met with widespread approval from educators and parents alike.

d's air firm starts

The new airline service between Tel Aviv and London is set to begin operations next week. The flight, operated by El Al, will provide a direct connection between the two cities, reducing travel time and increasing convenience for passengers. The airline company has invested heavily in modern aircraft and staff to ensure a high level of service. This new route is expected to boost tourism and trade between Israel and the United Kingdom.

GROCERS CUT STRIKE

The grocers' strike, which had been ongoing for several days, has ended successfully. The workers have returned to their jobs, and the supply of food items has been restored. The strike was called by the Grocers' Association in protest against government regulations on pricing and distribution. The resolution of the strike is a relief for consumers, who had been facing shortages and higher prices for various food products.

Over time senior off

The Ministry of Defense has announced that several senior officers will be promoted to higher ranks. The promotions are based on their long and distinguished service to the country. The officers being promoted include several who have played key roles in the defense of Israel during various conflicts. The Ministry expressed its appreciation for their dedication and leadership.

YOUR FOOTHOLD IN ISRAEL

With the dollar worth more, all our homes cost less. This is a great opportunity for investors and homeowners alike. The current exchange rate offers a significant advantage for those looking to purchase property in Israel. Real estate agents are reporting a surge in inquiries and sales, particularly in the coastal and central regions. This is a prime time to secure a foothold in the Israeli market.

Murder saws

A series of murders in the city of Haifa have led to a state of heightened security. The police are conducting a thorough investigation into the cases, which are believed to be related. The victims were of various backgrounds, and the motives are still unclear. The public is urged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the authorities.

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Haifa residents enjoying one of the semi-weekly free summer band concerts provided by the Municipality in the town's new plaza, formerly a busy traffic thoroughfare.

USSR asked not to boycott Haifa games

Dane victor in chess competition

By ELLAHU GHARAF
Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Danish Grand Master Bent Larsen won the 1978 Haifa Chess Olympiad, a major international chess tournament. The event, which took place in Haifa, attracted players from over 40 countries. Larsen's victory was a significant achievement, as he defeated several top contenders. The tournament also featured a series of chess matches between national teams, with the USSR and the USA being the primary opponents. The competition was held in a newly renovated hall, providing a suitable environment for the event.

'Low-profile' Jews in Mid-East

A Washington Post article highlighted the presence of Jewish communities in the Middle East, particularly in Israel. The article discussed the challenges these communities face, including discrimination and the threat of violence. It also noted the contributions of these communities to the region's economy and culture. The article emphasized the need for greater recognition and protection of these communities.

U.S. rabbi rejects 'scare' tactics to promote aliya

A prominent American rabbi has rejected the use of "scare tactics" to encourage Jewish immigration (aliya) to Israel. He argued that such tactics are not only ineffective but also counter to the values of the Jewish people. He called for a more positive and realistic approach to promoting aliya, one that focuses on the opportunities and benefits of life in Israel.

Captured Iraqi soldiers in Beirut

'War is not a religious conflict'

By DOUGLAS WATSON
The Washington Post

BEIRUT. — Two prisoners of war, captured by Israeli forces in Lebanon, have been released. The prisoners were identified as Iraqi soldiers who had been fighting in the region. The release was part of a broader effort to de-escalate tensions in the area. The article also discussed the nature of the conflict in Lebanon, stating that it is not a religious war but rather a struggle for power and territory.

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Most Israelis going abroad will smuggle currency

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Police have confiscated a large sum of Israeli currency, suggesting that many Israelis are smuggling money abroad. The police reported that they found several bags containing thousands of Israeli shekels. This indicates a widespread practice of carrying large amounts of cash for use in foreign countries. The authorities are warning that such actions are illegal and can result in severe penalties.

Charter tours booming

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A California travel agent is offering what appears to be an all-time bargain in package tours to Israel. The agent is advertising a package that includes flights, accommodation, and sightseeing for a remarkably low price. This has led to a significant increase in bookings for tours to Israel. The agent claims that the low prices are due to a combination of factors, including a favorable exchange rate and a high volume of bookings.

New settlement group for 'orthodoxy and ecology'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Crops grown in accordance with the principles of ecology and child-rearing in observance of Halacha are the dream of a settlement group of new immigrants planning a new moshav shifon in the Negev. The group, which is composed of individuals who are committed to both religious and environmental values, aims to create a sustainable and orthodox community. They plan to use organic farming methods and to incorporate Jewish law into their daily lives.

Changes in England team

LONDON. — Dennis Amies, the stylish English batsman, has been dropped from the England cricket team. The decision was made by the selectors, who cited a lack of recent form as the reason. Amies, who has been a key player for England in the past, is expected to be replaced by a more consistent performer. This change marks a significant shift in the team's composition and strategy.

Charged with trying to steal rare books

TEL AVIV. — A Givatayin resident was charged with attempting to steal rare books from the Tel Aviv University Library. The individual was caught in the act by library staff. The books in question were of great historical and academic value. The suspect is facing charges of theft and is being held in custody while the case is investigated.

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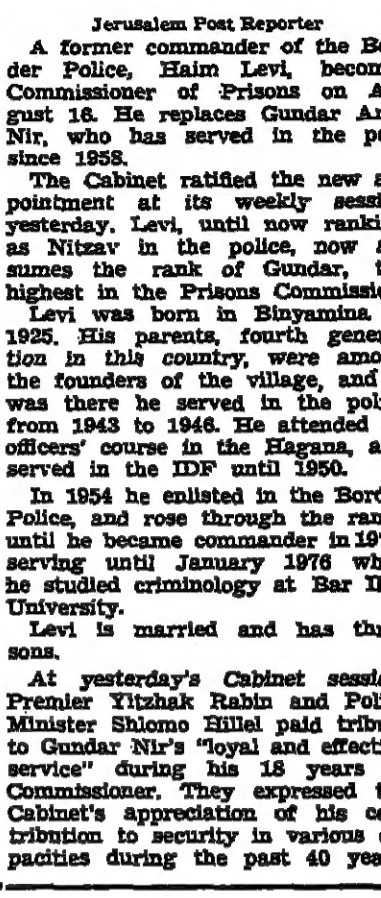
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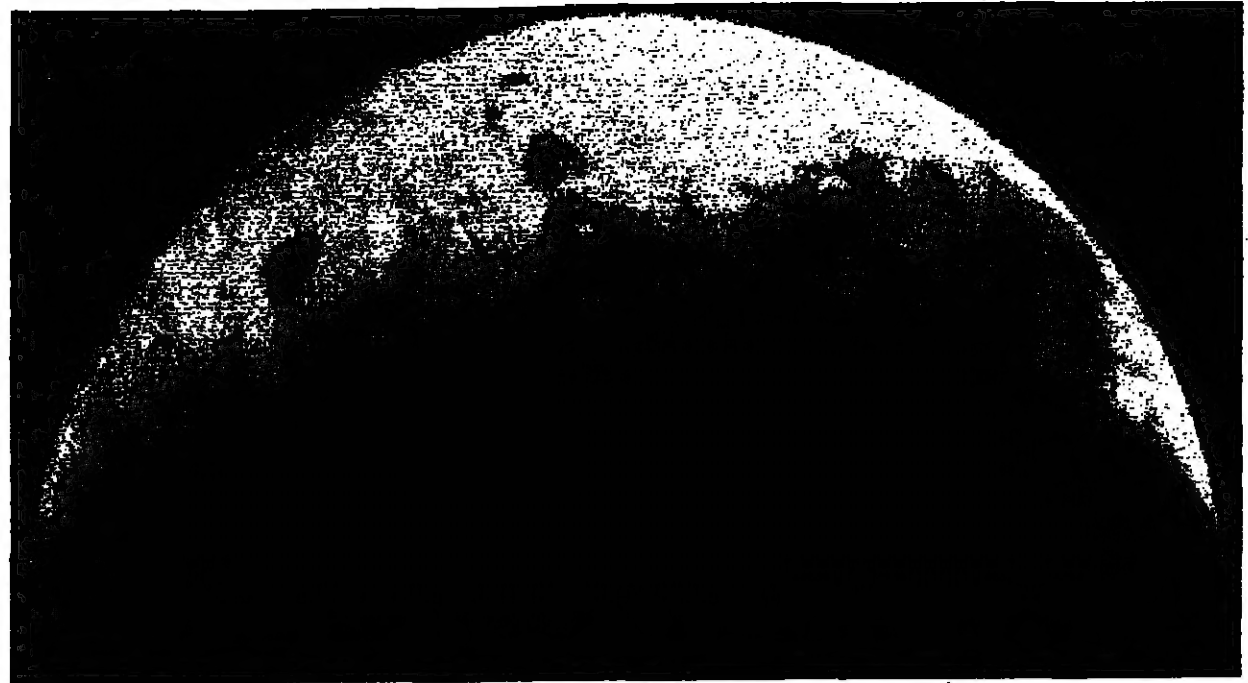
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Ex-Border Police chief named new Prisons head

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A former commander of the Border Police, Haim Levi, becomes Commissioner of Prisons on August 16. He replaces Gunda Arje Nir, who has served in the post since 1958. The Cabinet ratified the new appointment at its weekly session yesterday. Levi, until now ranking as Nitzav in the police, now assumes the rank of Gunda, the highest in the Prisons Commission. Levi was born in Binyamina in 1925. His parents' fourth generation in this country, were among the founders of the village, and it was there he served in the police from 1943 to 1946. He attended an officers' course in the Hagana, and served in the IDF until 1950. In 1954 he enlisted in the Border Police, and rose through the ranks until he became commander in 1972, serving until January 1976 when he studied criminology at Bar Ilan University. Levi is married and has three sons. At yesterday's Cabinet session, Premier Yitzhak Rabin and Police Minister Shimon Peres paid tribute to Gunda Nir's "loyal and effective service" during his 18 years as Commissioner. They expressed the Cabinet's appreciation of his contribution to security in various capacities during the past 40 years.





This crescent phase picture of Mars was taken by Viking 2 yesterday from a distance of about 250,000 miles as it was approaching the planet. This view is of the morning side. Towards the top of the picture, the dark spots are the huge volcanoes of the Tharsis region. They appear dark partly because clouds and the haze cover this region at this time of day, and the volcanoes stand higher than the clouds. At the bottom part of the picture, at the right tip of the crescent, is a bright circular feature, the large basin Argyre where Viking 2 will land. This basin shows up brightly because its floor is covered with frost. (UPI telephoto)

New hope of life on Mars

PASADENA, California. — For the second time in a week, the Viking lander on Mars has sent back signals suggesting primitive forms of life might be buried in the Martian soil.

But scientists here cautioned that the findings could be the result of faulty instruments or of some strange chemical reaction in the soil. Biologists said they would not know whether the process was biological until they run control tests on August 23 on sterile soil samples.

The hint of life came from an experiment on Saturday in which a Martian soil sample, scooped up by the Viking's mechanical arm, was bathed in artificial sunlight inside the craft's miniature laboratory.

The idea was to see if any organisms present would absorb gases under the influence of the light — in the way that plants on Earth take in carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and breathe out oxygen when the sun shines.

What was causing all the excitement here on Saturday was that the instruments showed that the orange-red soil sample had "belched" — had released about as much gas as a soil sample on Antarctica would with its very low level of organic activity.

"My reaction was one of sheer incredulity," said biologist Norman Horowitz, who is in charge of the experiment — the pyrolytic release experiment.

"I want to emphasize that we have not discovered life on Mars," he told a press conference. "The data we have are conceivably of biological origin, but the biological explanation is only one of a number of alternative explanations that have to be excluded."

Asked where he would put his money if he were a betting man, Dr. Horowitz hedged and said: "I would put half of it here and half of it there."

Any optimism was clearly tempered by the results of experiments a week earlier, which had

at first suggested the presence of life in the soil but were later thought to indicate only a non-organic chemical process.

Saturday's results, climaxed a day of rapid developments in the Viking project, which is designed to place two landing craft on the rock-strewn surface of Mars in the search for rudimentary plant or animal life.

The second Viking spaceship, launched last summer, reached Mars on Saturday and began orbiting the planet in preparation for its touchdown on September 4.

Viking 2 is scheduled to land

in a deep depression near the north polar cap, where scientists believe there might be significant amounts of water vapour. The hope is that where there is water, there may be clues on past or present life forms.

Meanwhile, scientists at the jet propulsion laboratory said yesterday they had regained use of the Viking 1 lander's vital miniature shovel, which jammed last Tuesday as it gathered a sample of Martian soil. They said the shovel was working well and should be able to scratch the surface of Mars again this week. (Reuters)

Iran, U.S. sign 5-year, \$40b. trade protocol

TEHRAN, Iran. — U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Iranian Foreign Minister Roshan Ansary on Saturday signed a protocol outlining a five-year Iranian-U.S. trade and economic programme worth about \$40b.

At a joint news conference after the signing, Kissinger said the U.S. will continue selling \$2b. to \$3b. in arms to Iran every year through 1980.

Saturday's protocol mentioned the purchase of \$10b. worth of nuclear reactor power plants, but a separate agreement on this would be signed later. Kissinger indicated that all policy problems concerning safeguards to prevent the reactors from being used to produce nuclear explosives had been resolved.

Earlier, the U.S. insisted that by-products of the reactors, like plutonium, which is necessary to make nuclear bombs, be processed outside of Iran or procedures be instituted allowing the U.S. to monitor and safeguard the processing of the material in Iran.

(Because of improper controls during the 1960's India was able to build an atom bomb with nuclear material provided by the U.S.)

Kissinger said the yearly value of arms sales to Iran would be about the equal for the period 1972 to the present because of inflation. A Senate report recently said arms sales to Iran had ballooned "out of control" since former President Richard Nixon and Kissinger agreed in 1972 to "sell Iran virtually any conventional weapon it wanted."

Kissinger defended the sales, saying Iran's neighbours posed potentially serious dangers and that "Iran has committed itself to make maximum efforts in its own self-defence" instead of relying on the U.S.

Foreign Minister Ansary said Iran would increase the amount of oil exported to the U.S. from 16.5 million tons to an estimated 24 million tons in 1977.

Kissinger later left for Kabul where he assured President Mohammad Daoud of continuing U.S. interest in the independence of Afghanistan. (AP)

IDF in Lebanon with Khatib accord—'Time'

WASHINGTON. — Israel and the Lebanese Army have concluded an informal agreement under which LAA troops, under the command of Ahmed Khatib, will be safe from Israeli attack as long as they do not help PLO terrorists to return to Lebanon's southern border. "Time" magazine reports in its forthcoming edition.

The magazine says that Israeli troops have been patrolling as deeply as three miles inside Lebanon. The purpose of the patrols, "Time" adds, is to search for Syrian troops and for terrorists.

"Time" reports that the Israeli incursions have the tacit approval of Khatib.

Paris policeman, agent dies in shooting exchange

PARIS. — A plainclothes subway agent and a policeman — both assigned to protect passengers in the city's subway system — died in an exchange of gunfire early yesterday in a station near the Eiffel tower, police said.

According to witnesses, Claude Mandigou, 36, stopped two North African passengers shortly after midnight to check whether they had cancelled tickets showing they had paid their fares. An argument ensued and Mandigou pulled his revolver.

Other subway passengers, not knowing Mandigou was a subway security agent authorized to carry a gun, summoned two policemen. When the officers appeared, witnesses said Mandigou opened fire, killing officer Dominique Larose, 26. Larose's partner returned the fire, killing Mandigou.

In the last year, muggings and other crimes of violence have increased by 33 per cent in the city's buses and subways.

Authorities blame the increase in violence on chronic unemployment among French youth, a general breakdown in law and order, and the replacement of about 3,000 subway ticket takers by automated devices over the last four years, leaving subway platforms without supervisory personnel. (AP)



Piatigorsky, cellist, dies

LOS ANGELES. — World-famous cellist Gregor Piatigorsky died here on Friday at the age 73. He had been suffering from lung cancer. Piatigorsky was born at Yekaterinburg in the Ukraine and became first cellist in the Russian Imperial Opera. He left Russia in 1921, and from 1924 he was leading cellist in the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.

Piatigorsky began a long and distinguished career as a soloist in 1923, and settled in the U.S. in the following year. He was regarded as one of the foremost cellists of his generation, making many arrangements for the instrument. He commissioned cello concertos from Hindemith, Castelnuovo-Tedesco and Prokofiev.

Piatigorsky visited Israel in 1954 to give concerts with the IPO, and in 1970 when he appeared together with Jascha Heifetz. He wrote an autobiography, "Cellist," which was published in 1965.

At the time of his death, Piatigorsky was living in Los Angeles and teaching at the University of Southern California. His last concert appearance was in February, when he played on his 261-year-old Stradivarius cello at the opening of the university's gerontology department.

Five white soldiers killed in Rhodesia

SALISBURY. — Five white Rhodesian troops have been killed in the single biggest loss in one engagement in the campaign against black nationalist guerrillas, a military communiqué issued here said yesterday.

The communiqué gave the men's names but no details on how or when they were killed in the eastern war zone along the Mozambique frontier.

The troops were reservists called up in the rebel Rhodesian government's "partial general mobilization" to counter the stepped-up war by African nationalists to end nearly 11 years of white minority rule.

The victims came from the eastern farming town of Umfali, 208 km east of Salisbury. Reports from the town said they were killed in a mortar explosion. (UPI)

WORLD SCENE

PAYOFF IN JAPAN

CORRUPTION SEEMS to be a way of life in world trade, with bribery, cheating and getting a cut out of a transaction apparently having become "normal" in both East and West.

The recent arrest of Japanese former Premier Kakuei Tanaka is perhaps the most dramatic indication of the extent to which corruption bribery has spread — especially with the repeated disclosures of the Lockheed aircraft company's multi-million-dollar payoffs.

Tanaka, 58, was the first political figure to be arrested in connection with the scandal which erupted when Lockheed executives told a U.S. congressional subcommittee last February that Lockheed had paid \$12.6m. to promote sales of its aircraft in Japan, including payments to key government officials.

It was disclosed that close to \$2m. in bribes were channelled through the Marubeni corporation, Lockheed's sales agent in Japan. Prosecutors in Tokyo suspect that the channel was Hino Hiyama, former chairman of Marubeni, who has been held since July 13. Tanaka was the fourteenth person arrested in connection with the affair.

The prosecutors are reported to have evidence that the ex-premier, who held office from 1972 to 1974, could be involved in bribery charges. Reports said that Tanaka had received \$1.66m. through Marubeni.

TANAKA RESIGNED as premier in December 1974 amid complaints within his Liberal Democratic Party over what was termed his "money politics" and questions raised by a magazine about the manner in which he had accumulated his personal fortune while in office.

Right from the day of his arrest, the Japanese media made it obvious that Tanaka was believed guilty. Newspapers and broadcasters were quick to drop the honorific "san" (Mr.) from his name, and this is regarded as a serious omission.

Among those arrested before Tanaka were top officials of All-Nippon Airways (ANA), which had purchased Tristar, the Lockheed version of the jumbo jet. But Tanaka's name had been linked in the

Japanese press to the purchase of the Tristars well before the scandal erupted.

The background to this story goes back to August 31 and September 1, 1972, when Premier Tanaka and President Nixon conferred in Hawaii. The two had agreed that Japan should buy American aircraft to balance the trade deficit between the two countries, which was heavily in Japan's favour. Tanaka in turn met with Tokuzi Wakasa, president of ANA, just before ANA took its decision to buy 21 Tristars.

All this happened at a time when it was considered almost certain that ANA would purchase the Douglas DC-10 jumbo jet — so it was naturally concluded that pressure had been exerted at a high level to favour Lockheed.

Wakasa was arrested before Tanaka, together with a former ANA director, Ryochi Fujiwara. The indictment says Wakasa received \$180,000 from a Lockheed envoy in Tokyo in June and July, 1974. Both Wakasa and Fujiwara are accused of receiving \$400,000 from John Clutter, Tokyo representative of Lockheed, in August 1974.

THERE WERE also doubts about a controversial Japanese Government decision in October 1972 to stop developing an anti-submarine plane. That decision opened the way for buying the Lockheed Orion.

Japanese press reports note that Tanaka is a friend of a multi-millionaire businessman, Kenji Osano. Osano was reportedly the man who, according to former Lockheed vice-chairman A.C. Kotchian, advised the firm how to swing the Tristar deal with Japan. Tanaka said he only met Kotchian once when he was Minister for International Trade and Industry in January 1972. But subsequent investigation revealed that Tanaka met Kotchian at least three times.

Prime Minister Takeo Miki last week promised the Japanese people the fullest possible investigation of the Lockheed affair. To the surprise of all, he also said that he "does not believe that the scandal" has reached its peak with the arrest of Tanaka. There was no elaboration of that statement.

The Tanaka arrest has thrown Japan's political world into confusion. He is probably the big fish caught in the Lockheed net, but judging from Miki's remarks is likely to make more relations about others involved in the Lockheed case, and the start off a chain reaction which could assume the proportions of Watergate.

Money has been the power behind Japanese politics for more two decades and any more star revelations could break up a system in which the party with the funds has controlled the government.

IT IS INTERESTING to note that directly after Tanaka's arrest there were strong calls by business political leaders for reform of conservative Liberal Democrats have ruled Japan for virtually the post-war period.

Tanaka, even after his resignation as Premier, had maintained dominant influence within the Liberal Democrats. He was supported by 84 members in both houses of the Diet, which meant almost a quarter of the party's seats. It was widely believed that with the due at the end of the year, former's son who had risen to power after amassing wealth as a businessman was preparing a political comeback.

His detention has possibly dented his political hopes, even though he is regarded as a tough, thick-skinned politician. (It was not Tanaka's first arrest, by the way. He was briefly in 1948 on a charge of being a traitor while parliamentary minister of justice, but was acquitted.)

Even while under investigation at the prosecutor's office, Tanaka sent in his resignation from party, and political observers this will have a divisive effect on the LDP.

But it is to Premier Miki's credit that he has stood unflinchingly through this crisis, and that he has stubbornly refused to resign the premiership just because he was party members who said that the LDP needed a strong hand at the reins. It would be credible if Japanese politicians tried to back Miki's attempts at clean-government policy.

Ford says he'll 'stand on record in campaign against Carter

CAMP DAVID, Maryland. — President Gerald Ford said at the weekend he would concentrate on his administration's success in reviving the U.S. economy during his presidential election campaign against Jimmy Carter.

Ford, confident of a victory in next week's Republican Party national convention over Ronald Reagan, was interviewed at his mountain-side presidential retreat on the occasion of the second anniversary of his taking office.

He said Reagan had hurt his chances at the nomination by selecting liberal Senator Richard Schweiker of Pennsylvania for his running mate.

"I didn't believe it," Ford said of the choice. "It shocked a lot of people. It hasn't produced results, so I think Gov. Reagan has hurt his chances," Ford said.

Asked if he would debate with Carter, Ford said: "I don't rule it out."

The President talked more of his vice presidential candidate and of the campaign against Carter than he did of the nomination battle with Reagan.

On the vice-president, Ford said: "I want somebody who fits the ideology I believe in and whose support for my programmes is consistent with my thoughts." Ford said he could not select Schweiker as a running mate because "I would not go that far to the edge of the political spectrum."

He said his aides had called on "more than a dozen" prospective running mates, but he declined to name them. Each was asked to be prepared to disclose tax, financial and health records if he or she makes it to the final selection process.

Among those whom he "hadn't ruled out" were former Texas Governor John Connally, Ambassador to Great Britain Anne Armstrong, Senator Howard H. Baker of Tennessee and Senator Edward Brooke of Massachusetts. But he will not reveal his selection until he receives the nomination in Kansas City, despite Reagan's demand that he do it, Ford said.

The major accomplishment of his administration has been a turnaround in the American economy, in reducing both inflation and unemployment, the President said.

The biggest disappointment has been that we haven't been able to reduce unemployment as much as we'd like," he said. The latest figures, released on Friday, show unemployment in the U.S. at 7.8 per cent, but Ford predicted that by the end of the year it will be below 7 per cent.

Another disappointment, he said, is that "I don't believe we have sold our accomplishments as well as we should have. We have peace and we have restored trust in the White House, but we have been unable to sell that in a political way."

In a brief discussion of foreign matters, Ford said:

● He has sent the Kremlin a note on the possibility that two recent underground Soviet nuclear explosions may have exceeded 150 kilotons — which would not violate recent nuclear limitation treaties between the two governments, as yet unratified. But he said, "it would be disappointing if there was a violation of our understanding."

● That progress can be made in 1977 toward a Middle East settlement. "But the situation in Lebanon certainly has forestalled any broad momentum toward peace."

● "We still have some sticky problems to resolve in the Salt (Strategic Arms Limitation) talks," but "we are gradually narrowing the differences and becoming more flexible" with Russians.

● The U.S. plans no contact with the Pales Liberation Organization beyond which was necessary for two recent evacuations of U.S. and foreign citizens from Lebanon.

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other issues of concern to the American Jewish Community — the ing free emigration for Soviet Syrian Jewry.

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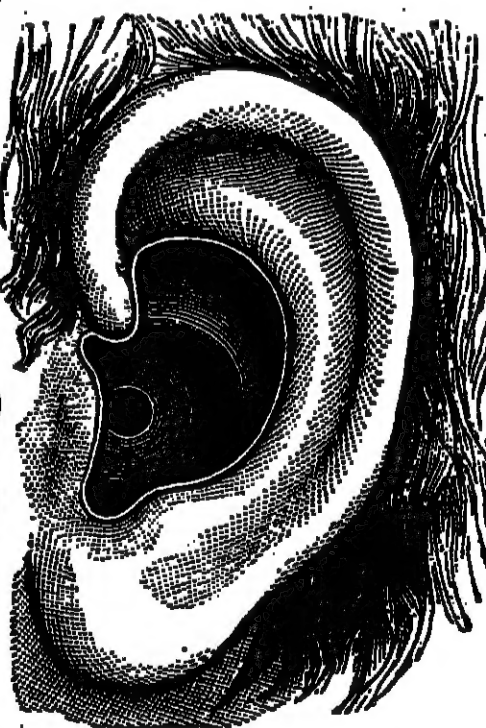
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Members of the Dutch wooden shoe dance troupe from Nes Azzim, who will perform at the Ma'alot-Tarshiha fair.

Ma'alot's people-to-people happening

By JOAN BORSTEN / Jerusalem Post Reporter

NO ONE CAME to Ma'alot after the 1974 terrorist infiltration, everyone — Israelis and Arabs alike — came to see what happened, to give their own expression to the tragedy. The idea for the fair came from two Ma'alot's American residents, Arish Sherman, a 30-year-old Penn State graduate who heads the Ma'alot-Tarshiha branch of "Save the Children," and Elaine Kopp, a Jewish Agency employee who last year moved with her family from Jerusalem and whose job is placing immigrants in development towns.

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Elaine and Arish convinced the town's other western residents that the project was worth while and then set up a steering committee from Ma'alot-Tarshiha to plan the fair, recruit talent, and search out exhibits from neighboring Jewish, Druze, and Arab settlements.

"It's an all-volunteer project," explained Elaine. "We're really pleased with the response we've had from

both towns. This is a new concept for everyone, but they're working on it as though they've been planning state fairs for years. The youth of Ma'alot and Tarshiha have turned out en masse to help organize, and are doing a great job. What's more, relations between the towns have improved. All of Ma'alot's workers are invited to the wedding of one of Tarshiha's workers, and then everyone from Ma'alot-Tarshiha is going to a Druze wedding in Peki'in. Peki'in is famous as the village that has never, over the past 2,000 years, been without Jewish inhabitants.

THE FAIR, sanctioned by the Ministry of Tourism, is being financed by a no-strings-attached American Jewish Committee contribution, and with "Save the Children" funds originally earmarked for community development.

Exhibits and sales will open at 10 a.m. every morning. There will be hot-house roses from Nes Azzim, the Dutch Christian moshav near Nahariya; paintings and ceramics from Carmel; straw and cloth handicrafts from Peki'in, watercolours by Kibbutz Gazon's artist-in-residence, Shmuel Katz; copperware from Acco; plants, batiks, weaving, woodwork, and photographs from Ma'alot.

The live entertainment will comprise Dutch wooden shoe dancing, a Druze dance troupe, a rock band ("Chaviv Hatzion") and performing theatre group from Bnei Brak, a children's band from Carmel, and two well-known Arab singers from Tarshiha. It will begin at 8:00 p.m. and be followed with folk and ballroom dancing to a live orchestra.

Groups interested in booking a morning or afternoon tour of Ma'alot-Tarshiha, should call (04) 578-756.



Israeli Ballet's "Symphonic Variations"

'Visions' of the Temple

By HENRIETTE BOAS / Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM. — A SMALL but interesting exhibition of prints showing the artist's vision of the Temple is now being held at the Meermanno-Westreenan Museum in The Hague. It will be on view until September 18.

TO MARK the Temple exhibition, an attractive illustrated booklet has been produced (unfortunately only in Dutch). Mr. J.F. van Agt (a non-Jew), the foremost expert on Dutch synagogues, gives a detailed history of the Princesaaghechthuis as well as of other smaller ones which preceded it but which have disappeared.

An article by Judith Belinfante, Keeper of the Jewish Historical Museum in Amsterdam, describes the differences between the "realistic" vision of the Temple influenced by the illustrators' own contemporary surroundings and the "structural" vision based on Biblical sources.

The well-known book by Jacob Judah Leon, summarized "Temple" and even more famous wooden model he made of Solomon's Temple are described in detail by A.K. Offenberger, of the Amsterdam University Library.

Many details of Leon's life are still unclear. It is believed but not certain that he was born in Hamburg in 1602 and it is not definitely known whether he was of Spanish or Portuguese origin or whether his book on the Temple was written first in Spanish or in Dutch. What is known is that he is buried in the Sephardi cemetery at Oudekerk near Amsterdam.

Leon "Temple" travelled to many countries with his model, which is believed to have measured 1.50x1.50x0.90 metres. While his Temple was relatively small, the walls around the Temple Mount were very large.

The elusive golden mean

DANCE / Joan Cass

MELODRAMATIC story dance. It can be solved by a plotless abstract ballet. This I found my interest gradually waning. Without question, however, Yacov Sharir showed an understanding of his craft that was extraordinary for a first effort. I look forward to his next creations.

The programme included two other abstract pieces. Boris Yampolsky's "Symphonic Variations" (Cesar Franck) was almost an étude in that it included no personal feelings at all. For this reason it showed the competent company to advantage in clear lines and clear rhythms, but gave them little to interpret or project or hint for us to get excited about. They did best with the closing section which finally generated a little warmth in its lively activity.

Quite another matter was "Electro-Bach" which Felix Blasko choreographed to Bach played on a synthesizer. This delightful composition, also plotless, held a pleasing variety of dynamic qualities and a pert, witty flavour. Nira Paz was outstanding here, as she was in "Homage to Jerome Robbins"; and the company surrounded her with verve and sparkle.

This programme proved that it is not easy to locate the golden mean between the extremes of pure movement pattern that lacks emotional impact and straight drama that denies the aesthetic satisfactions of dance design. It also indicated that even if there is an exactly "right" approach, its use would not guarantee that a dance would strike us as beautiful or dull. In the end it seems to come down to the presence or absence of talent and artistry in the choreographer — and the dancers.

Arrestingly idiomatic

MUSIC REVIEW Benjamin Bar-Am

THE ISRAELI FESTIVAL. The Israel Chamber Ensemble, conductor and soloist Henry Seeryng, violin. (Tel Aviv, Nes Zion Auditorium, August 2). Back Concerto by E. Major for Violin and Orchestra; Antonio Vivaldi: Symphony in D Major; Mozart: Concerto No. 4 in A Major for Violin and Orchestra; R. 219; Divertimento in D Major, K. 135.

OF THE TWO concertos which Seeryng played, I preferred the Bach. Restrained, relaxed, introverted and completely stripped of all extraneous musical addenda, it became a rare example of pure, almost absolute music. The Mozart, on the other hand, was disappointing. Seeryng seemed handicapped by his additional duties as conductor and unable to assert himself and bring out his original musical conception. But we were graciously compensated with a truly outstanding performance of a solo encore (E. Major Prelude) which demonstrated a unique combination of virtuosity, insight and the Mozart Divertimento.

Following the fashion of the day, Maestro Seeryng has also taken to conducting. Though he lacks even the most basic technical capability, and his movements are funny and unfunctional, he came up with some surprises. He conducted two pieces — a symphony by the 18th century Mexican composer, Barrios, and Mozart's early Divertimento; the Barrios piece, although not very illuminating, was interesting as a specimen of 18th century European Baroque in Mexico.

Despite his technical incompetence as a conductor, Seeryng was able to inspire the Ensemble and elicit from its indifferent players a remarkable performance of the Vivaldi in Intonation, immensely alive, and arrestingly idiomatic.

Creating storage space (part II)

DO-IT-YOURSELF Mett Factor

FOR THE entresol described last week, make the door-frame of softwood (or luan) size 5 cm by 3 cm. Screw strips to the chipboard base and to the ceiling and the two walls with wallplugs. Opening doors can be made of 20 mm chipboard. Measure the outside dimensions of the frame. For the width of each door divide the frame width by two and then deduct 5 mm from the result. To find the height just deduct 5 mm from the ceiling to the base of the single beam. The hinges used are the socket type for end cupboards. These have a bent arm which allows the cupboard door to cover over the doorframe when opening.

Drill a 35 mm hole to a depth of 11 mm 10 cm from the top of the door and 20 mm in from the edge. Repeat the same procedure at the other end of the door. Special tungsten carbide drill bits are available for this size but they are fairly expensive and the

"The least of all evils," says Rabbi Yoel Bin-Nun, "is to do exactly what the Arabs expected us to do in 1967: keep all the territories, and tell them so. Then you'll see how quickly Samaria quiets down." This is the eighth and last instalment of MOSHE KOHN's series on Gush Emunim.

The numbers game

"WHAT GUSH EMUNIM is about," says Rabbi Levinger, "is the Jewish National Renaissance and the honour of Eretz Yisrael. Where the Government is leading us is on the path of bondage to the U.S. in economic and security matters.

He says: "Of course we are concerned with pragmatic political and security considerations. But that isn't enough. God gave us Eretz Yisrael not merely for the sake of borders, but for Truth, to live a certain way of life. So we must struggle for purity, idealism, the submergence of egotism in the general cause. In time, we may have to go out and fight for the moral and ethical reformation of our country. Our activity so far has created the seeds for that, too."

East Jerusalem which nobody intends to 'give back'; those of the Hebron Hills region (including the Etzion Bloc), which is an 'enclave' that nobody is giving back; the same goes for the Gaza Strip and Peki'in (the Rafah Approach) — we have annexed all these areas de facto de jure.

"So today the whole dispute is over the 300,000 Arabs of Samaria — even less if you deduct those of the Ramallah area which even some doves don't want to 'give back'.

"As though 'giving back' Samaria will solve the problem. If we're really going to be 'realistic', then we'd better 'give back' Galilee with its Arabs, too. Then we'll be back to the 1947 Partition borders. We say that the least of all evils is to do in 1967: keep everything, and tell them so. You'll see how quickly Samaria will quiet down. Just as Galilee was quiet for 28 years till the Arabs there saw how we were pussyfooting over Samaria. Who knows? — soon the Gaza Strip Arabs may start acting up, too, and we'll have a general explosion and another war or two.

ONE MORNING, in the synagogue of the Mercat Harav Yeshiva, I put some of the questions of the Oz Veshalom group (Moshe Uman, Zvi Zaron) to Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kook, summing up with "How do you know that your construction of Religious Zionism is the right one?"

He turned to Rabbi Fried, who was sitting with us, smiled a perplexed, ironic smile, and said: "What is he saying? What does he want to know?" Then he turned to me and said:

"We know because our teachers taught us (Sanhedrin 88a): Rabbi Abba said: 'There is no clearer sign of the Redemption than this (Ezekiel 36:12): 'But you, mountains of Israel, you shall put forth your branches, and yield your fruit for My people Israel, for their homecoming is near. Behold, I am for you. I will turn to you, and you shall be tilled and sown. I will increase the number of people among you — the whole House of Israel — and the cities shall again be inhabited and the ruins rebuilt. I will increase the number of people and beasts among you, and they shall increase and be fruitful. I will make you as populous as you once were, and more prosperous than you ever were, and you will know that I am God. I will make people — My people Israel — tread you again; they will settle in you and you shall be their possession.'"

THE CONCEPT OF democracy, as generally understood, is irrelevant here, according to the Gush Emunim leaders.

Rabbi Levinger says: "The Jewish national renaissance is more important than democracy. Democracy can no more vote away Zionism, aliyah, settlement, than it can vote that people should stop breathing or speaking. The fate of Eretz Yisrael and a free and whole Jewish life in it are not subject to a majority vote. At its roots, our people knows this. We are a people that is especially linked to vision.

"Peace is not in itself a goal; it is an instrument — a vitally important one — to be sure — in organizing a way of life, in implementing a vision. Right now, the advancement of the Jewish People and, through it, of the Redemption process, and the moral and mundane integrity of the Jewish People and Eretz Yisrael, are more important than hypothetical peace. Once we attain those, the whole world will have peace," Rabbi Levinger says.

What of the problem of demography and the democratic character of the State of Israel?

"A living, dynamic people is capable of absorbing other populations. If the Jewish People perks up and starts living dynamically, optimistically by its vision, we have nothing to fear: we will be able to live with non-Jews in our midst, and even to absorb them.

"Meanwhile, we should give the Arabs in our midst all rights in all areas except those — like aliyah and security — pertaining to the special character of Eretz Yisrael as the Jewish People's land and Israel as the Jewish State. Full civil rights must mean full citizens' duties, and we cannot grant them full duties and they do not wish them.

OFFENPOTTERS OF Gush Emunim cite the example of Rabbi Yohanan ben Zakai. According to a Talmudic legend — or at least according to a simplistic understanding of it — when the Jews of Judea launched the revolt that led to the destruction of the Temple by the Romans in 70 C.E., Rabbi Yohanan dissociated himself from the revolt, had himself smuggled out of rebel-guarded Jerusalem to the Roman commander (later Emperor) Vespasian, appeared him, and requested and got "Yavneh and its Sages." The authenticity of this legend was vigorously challenged by the late Gedaliah Alon.

Rabbi Bin-Nun rejects Alon's theory, but he says: "The debate today is not between Rabbi Yohanan ben Zakai and Masada (where another group of rebels at the time made a last stand whose last survivors committed suicide, according to Josephus) but between Masada and Auschwitz — and we don't believe we are going to have another

Even the doves concede that we have 'annexed' about 1 1/2 million Arabs: those of pre-1967 Israel; those of

He continued: "As for the people who ask those questions — in Tractate Sota 48b, Rabbi Elazar" — his face broadened into a beaming smile and he said to Rabbi Fried: "Rabbi Elazar — he was an Eretz Yisrael man through and through" — he turned to me again and said: "Rabbi Elazar comments on the verse (Zechariah 4:10): 'Ki mi bas keyom ketanot' — For who has despised the day of small things? The Hebrew root of the word 'despise', *ba*, is also the root of 'waste' or 'tritter away', and the word for small things, *ketanot*, when not pointed can also be read as *ketanot* — pettiness. So Rabbi Elazar says: 'Who caused the righteous men to fritter away their future rewards? The pettiness in them that caused them not to trust in God.'"

Why women live longer than men.

TEL AVIV. — There are seven main reasons why women live longer than men, according to an article by Dr. Ingrid Waldron and Ms. Susan Johnston in a recent article in the American magazine "Stress."

By MACABEE DEAN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

while men generally use guns, women tend to use poisons.

Traffic accidents kill three times as many men as women. This is not only because men drive more than women and are thus exposed to more danger, but also because "men drive less safely. Male drivers are involved in 30 per cent more accidents per mile driven, and 130 per cent more fatal accidents per mile driven."

Under "other accidents," mainly at places of work, men lead women two to one. Men tend to more hazardous work than women, and to play around with firearms.

The sixth major cause of death is cirrhosis of the livers, due mainly to excessive alcohol consumption. Men have twice as much cirrhosis of the liver as women.

And finally, men commit suicide almost three times more than women, with one cause being the stress of competition for jobs. Women, however, try to commit suicide twice as often as men — but

The article notes: "The suicide attempt has been widely interpreted as a desperate, last-ditch cry for help, rather than an actual attempt to end life. Women apparently are better able to use a suicide attempt as a cry for help, and it seems likely that this ability is some extent protects them from the need to actually kill themselves. In contrast, males 'see themselves as strong, powerful, dominant, and potent' and find it difficult to seek help. Thus they are more likely to use guns rather than poisons and to carry a suicidal act through to a fatal conclusion."

In discussing the sexes, the authors note that if men have a mortality rate twice that of women, the latter are much more prone to various illnesses, and go much sooner to see a doctor. "Men have a tendency to ignore minor ailments and not to seek rest or medical help unless more serious illness develops; this failure to care for their health may contribute to men's higher mortality."

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The case for mutual funds

LARGER INVESTOR ap-
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investing his funds: securities
will take as much time
to prepare as the preparation of
the proposal. But the
person, when seeking in-
vestment advice, is usually left
with doubts as to whether
he gets a suitable for
the many possibilities,
would give paramount con-
sideration to mutual funds. One of
the advantages of a mutual
fund is that the holder im-
mediately obtains a broad diver-
sification of his investment, and
this is one of the key prin-
ciples of sound investing.

Other advantages are pro-
vided by the management and market-
ing of mutual funds. Most funds agree to re-
turn certificates on demand
at the net asset value of the
fund at any given day. It should
be noted, however, that an in-
vestor in a mutual fund should
be aware of the minimum period of sale
which may vary between 30 and 90 days.

Another advantage is the cost of purchase
which is between 0.5 per cent
per share when you first buy
the fund. In addition, many
funds will charge a management
fee which may vary between 0.5
and 0.75 per cent, calcu-
lated on an annual basis. This
fee compares very favour-
ably with the 1 per cent charge
on the purchase of a stock
over the net asset value.
The time of purchase
of a mutual fund is con-
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ster. In view of the fact
that the bank has repre-
sented the fund, it is in a favourable
position to supervise mutual fund
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not able to provide financial information in
an extended period of time.
Further indications of an im-
proved market are to be seen in
a proliferation of dealer advertise-
ments offering prices higher than
those appearing in the weekly of-
ficial price list. The price turn-
around in the gold market has
proved the market for silver coins.
These moved higher, but more
moderately by comparison.

The new trend in prices takes
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MARKET NEWS

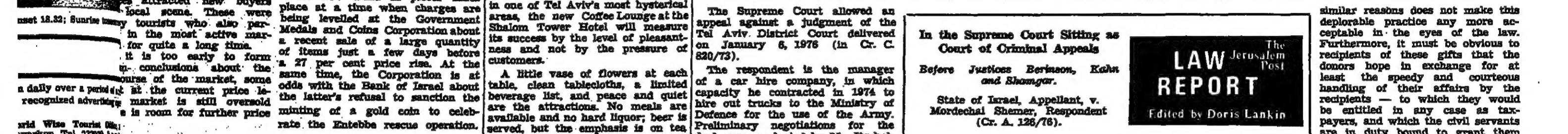
an extended period of fall-
ing prices, followed by two months
of price rises, renewed
gold coins and medals
which were partially re-
served for the change. It may
be noted that the relatively
low prices attracted new buyers
in the most active mar-
ket for quite a long time.
It is noteworthy to form
conclusions about the
course of the market, since
at the current price level
the market is still overvalued
and is room for further price
rises.

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U.S. Jewish lawyers — the positive side of the balance

Prof. Jerold Auerbach's article, "With Justice for All," which appeared in the POST's Special U.S. Bicentennial Magazine last month, has evoked this reaction from RICHARD COHEN, who asserts that the article twists beyond recognition the contribution of American Jews to the field of law.



William Kunstler

Carthy Committee and other witch-
hunters at a time when such repre-
sentation could have lost his firm
clients. Nor does Auerbach mention
that Fortas, like Goldberg, distin-
guished himself on the court for his
courageous and liberal opinions.
To charge such jurists with being
"the most vigorous defenders of the
dominant interests in American
society," and to accuse them of hav-
ing "reverted and defended the sym-
bols of law and the faith of patri-
otism" (as if to reverse the law
and to love one's country were some-
kind of outrageously venal act), tells
considerably more about Professor
Steelworkers and the CIO; he was
the only union lawyer to reach the
high court and his record during
his all-too-brief tenure there placed
him squarely within the Brandeis
tradition in the Court's liberal wing.
Abe Fortas was, true enough, a
successful corporate lawyer in
Washington before he was named to
the court. But it is also true that
Fortas personally and through the firm
he headed represented scores of in-
dividuals under attack by the Mc-

charged with raping two white
women in Alabama long before civil
rights became a popular item among
Wellesley professors? What about
Jack Greenberg, general counsel of
the NAACP and chief architect of the
legal struggle against racial
segregation in America, whose
clients are the black victims of op-
pression and discrimination in America?

What about William Kunstler, the
famous and cantankerous lawyer
whose practice is devoted to
representing radicals and radical
movements? And what about Leo
Pfeiffer, a Jewish lawyer on the staff
of the American Jewish Congress
whose landmark victories in the
Supreme Court may have done more
than any American since James
Madison to guarantee for all
Americans the freedom of con-
science guaranteed in the First
Amendment?

These are but four Jewish lawyers
out of thousands who have pioneered
in the use of the law to defend the in-
dividual against the encroachment
of the state and to advance the goal

Similar reasons does not make this deplorable practice any more acceptable in the eyes of the law.

Justice Berenson then went on
to distinguish between the present
case and Cr. C. 442/72 and Cr. C.
402/75, on which the District Court
had relied for its decision, concluding
that the State's appeal should be
allowed and the respondent found
guilty of giving a bribe contrary to
section 3 of the Penal Law Re-
vision (Bribery) Law, 1952.

Turning to the sentence to be
imposed, he held that as the State
had been more concerned to get a
decision in principle on the un-
acceptable and illegal practice of
giving holiday gifts to public ser-
vants and had left the question of
punishment to the discretion of the
Supreme Court, he thought that in
the circumstances the court should
content itself with handing down
a fine of IL2,500 and a suspended
sentence of six months.

Judgment given on June 30, 1976.

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THE CHANGES in the Syrian government, coming as they do in the midst of Syria's deep involvement in Lebanon, naturally give rise to questions regarding the connection between the two developments.

A careful examination of the changes effected by President Hafez Assad, however, would seem to indicate that they were prompted for domestic reasons. But their effect on Syria's position in Lebanon, even if secondary, will be to strengthen Assad in the determined execution of his policy.

The changes seem to have been triggered off by the resignation of outgoing Prime Minister Mahmoud Ayyoubi. His resignation had been in the offing since April 1975, when he failed to win a berth to the leadership command of the ruling Ba'ath Party in a party election. That blow to Ayyoubi's prestige was not effaced since and it became clear that his going was only a matter of time.

His replacement, General Abdul-Rahman Khleifawi, is known as a tough no-nonsense administrator and as one of the closest men to Assad in the military establishment which rules Syria. Khleifawi's standing with Assad was dramatically shown when he came out as one of the first army officers to support Assad in his coup in 1970. In fact, Khleifawi served as Assad's first Prime Minister, a post from which he was forced to resign in 1972 due to illness. Apparently recovered following lengthy medical treatment in Britain, Khleifawi can be expected to provide the dedicated toughness needed to implement Assad's policies, which are being questioned both in the Arab world and in Syria itself.

It is noteworthy that when he was Prime Minister, Khleifawi opposed the 1971 Syrian military intervention in Jordan in aid of the beleaguered PLO forces there. It is thus, perhaps, no coincidence that he returns to the force of Syrian politics so shortly after President Assad's speech in which he bitterly attacked the PLO for seeking to involve Syria in Jordan at that time and for opposing Syrian interests in Lebanon today.

It is not surprising that Yasser Arafat yesterday expressed his fears that the Syrian Cabinet changes might presage a stepped up Syrian offensive against the PLO and its leftist allies in Lebanon.

This view would also seem to be reinforced by the retention of the two dominant members of the outgoing Cabinet, Minister of Defence Mustafa Tlas and Minister of Foreign Affairs Abdul Halim Khaddam.

The domestic significance of the Cabinet change lies mainly in the dropping of the head of the Syrian economy, Deputy Minister for Economic Affairs, Muhammad Haider. An additional sign of Assad's self-confidence is the appointment of Syria's first woman cabinet minister, Dr. Najah Attar, as Minister of Culture and National Guidance. Only a head of state relatively secure in his political power would flout conservative Moslem tradition which is still predominant in nearly all Arab countries, by naming a woman minister.

A new deal on Israel's roads

THE NEW car insurance law — that will come into force, appositely, on Rosh Ha'Shana — imposes a heavy burden on car owners, who will have to pay a quarter as much again on their already high yearly motor insurance premium. But it introduces a welcome, perhaps a revolutionary, reform in this chaotic sector.

Up till now the victim of a street accident could lose his earning capacity and be turned into an invalid without receiving an agora of compensation, unless he proved the driver guilty. If the driver were proved guilty, there was then no limit to the damages that could be litigated for. The accent was on the resources (or the nerve) of the injured party, and the eloquence of his lawyer.

The new system divides car insurance in two. Damage to property remains as before. But damage to human beings is taken out of the field of commercial bargaining, and made into a social right. From now on, should a person — any person — be lamed in a traffic accident, he will receive compensation within 90 days, no matter who was responsible for the mishap. And the sum of compensation is fixed by law, varying with the extent of the victim's injury and the loss of his earning-power.

If this system is costlier than the former one, it is precisely because people who were previously hurt gratuitously, perhaps because they did not look before crossing the road, will now receive a cash benefit. They should still glance both ways before stepping off the pavement, because no money can comfort a person for being crippled. But at least the penalty for carelessness will no longer be so disproportionately great.

Equally refreshing is the knowledge that an entire sector of human life is not subject any more to those interminable and soul-destroying wranglings in and around the law-courts, which as often as not added a new dimension to the physical ordeal of the accident itself. The judges will be relieved of the moral pressure on them to bend their understanding of the evidence, so as to provide some relief for persons without means. The over-burdened court system will breathe more easily with the removal of a time-consuming topic from its jurisdiction.

The question agitating the insurance companies, on whom this obligation has been clamped, is whether income from increased premiums will cover outlays on increased benefits. Time will show. The system must be tried first; adjustments can be made later. The important thing is that, in an age of increasingly dense traffic and unprecedented risks to life and limb, everybody is properly insured at last, and no injured person will any more be left destitute.

Nuclear energy - yes!

VIEWPOINT / Scott Thomas

THE "DISASTER" of a spillage of radioactive waste is not "inevitable," as Arthur Saul Super would have us believe (Viewpoint, August 3). Nothing is "inevitable" except death and taxes. Nuclear power is a risk. But this does not obscure the pressing economic and political reasons for developing nuclear reactors along with the technology to minimize the risk of radioactive spillage.

The industrialized world is now dependent upon oil as the primary energy resource. The large oil and natural gas reserves available to the West from oil fields outside the U.S. are located in the Persian Gulf/Arabian Peninsula, in the Gulf of Mexico, in Venezuela, and in the North Sea. Canada has oil reserves but will not export. The temporary shortage and permanent rise in price of OPEC oil in 1973 produced the worst recession the West has experienced since 1929.

At present output, assuming the necessary increases in energy consumption according to the only economic formula for maintaining a healthy economy known — growth — these oil and gas reserves will begin to decline during the 1980s.

For this reason Saudi Arabia and Iran have already begun construction of nuclear power plants to come into operation during the 1980s. So have the French, British and the Netherlands are counting on their natural gas, which unfortunately is only economical when carried locally by pipeline, and also will run out.

The failure of détente means that Western access to Soviet oil (the second largest estimated reserves in the world) is not a reality. The Soviets simply do not have the technology to pump their Siberian oil out of the ground at present, and their best bet is to let it sit in the obvious expectation of shortages at the end of the century. The oil fields of Brazil are also untouched. Failure to find alternative energy resources by the 1980s will mean an increasing monopoly by these nations over the world's energy resources.

The U.S., already importing 40 per cent of her oil, has embarked on a gamble in this race against the

energy shortage. All energy reserves have been opened for full production, including Alaska, the remaining American oil reserve. Full production from the Alaska fields should be reached during the 1980s and should reach its peak and begin to decline during the 1990s. Failure to open these reserves immediately would have entailed the danger of allowing supply — or lack of it — to be monopolized by OPEC.

The political ramifications to Israel and the West of dependence upon OPEC oil today and possibly Soviet oil tomorrow point up the necessity for developing an alternative to oil as quickly as possible. This must be cheap, abundant, inexhaustible, and clean. Perhaps the answer is nuclear fusion, or solar-energy satellites, or some other technology which has not yet been developed.

WIND POWER WILL not light New York or Tel Aviv, and energy from trash-burning in the end costs more to produce than oil itself. Sun energy, when filtered through the atmosphere, can heat buildings, but is not a feasible energy source for conversion into electricity.

The technology to replace oil is likely to cost more to produce than any other project man has ever attempted, including going to the moon or Mars. Such an undertaking cannot be financed in a no-growth economy, or a recession; and these are the risks of maintaining a heavy dependence on OPEC oil.

Nuclear fission breeder reactors must be seen primarily as a bridge between the end of the oil age and the beginning of the age of a new energy. Optimists hope that such reactors will already be obsolete before they are finished. Pessimists point out that should the supply of oil be cut off before another feasible energy source is found, if it is found, we may have to rely upon the reactors completely. In the face of these realities, we can and must find a way to make nuclear reactors safe.

(The writer is an American living in Tel Aviv who has a special interest in energy problems.)

READERS' LETTERS

Living memorials

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I refer to the letter of Betsy Moscovitz of July 28 concerning the Holocaust memorial planned in Haifa.

I do not belong to the Holocaust generation and therefore I believe I see things in a different perspective from Mrs. Moscovitz. She wonders why we should spend money on a monument when we have more pressing tasks for the living. A monument such as this is as important to the living as a new clinic. In our times of self-questioning and moral perplexity, when even some of our own people question our moral right to live in our own homeland, a memorial such as this will remind us why we are here.

In her letter, Mrs. Moscovitz asks: "Why not in Afula, Bnei Brak..." Why not?

Every settlement no matter how small should have a memorial to the six million martyrs so that the living will remember what happened and not question our presence here.

With such a daily reminder, there would be less strikes, less com-

plaints, and more people conscientiously working for the common goal of creating a stronger national homeland, so no memorials will have to be built for new Holocausts.

DAVID ERIC FRINGERSCH
Holon.

Sir, — Permit me to add my voice to those of your readers who criticized the monument to the martyrs in Haifa. This is not an isolated case: it is a pyramid now being erected near the Soldiers' House in Jerusalem at the estimated cost of IL7,000,000 any better?

This is supposedly a memorial for our sons, husbands, fathers, and brothers who fell in the wars. I, for one, am convinced that our dear ones would have preferred the money to be used for more constructive purposes of which there is no shortage. "Sometimes I feel that mine is a voice in the wilderness. However, your letters encouraged me to add this comment."

A BEREAVED FATHER
(Name and address supplied.)
Jerusalem.

BOYCOTT BY MUSIC CRITICS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — On July 6, a concert was held in the Jerusalem Theatre, featuring four young soloists with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra — IBA. No review of the concert was published, and I wonder what made that event less deserving than others of professional consideration.

Yohanan Boehm comments:

For the last three months, no review of any concert of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra has been published. The reason is a dispute between the manager of the Jerusalem Theatre and the Jerusalem critics which has still not been cleared up.

POSTSCRIPTS

ONE of the minor by-products of the Entebbe rescue operation must have been a considerable increase in the revenue of postal authorities almost all over the world.

The "Letters to the Editor" column and "Postscripts" have been flooded with mail from readers both here and abroad. Almost every Israeli seems to have received letters from old friends, frequently non-Jewish, expressing admiration for the rescue of the hostages. We should have liked to give space to all the compliments which have been balm to our previously somewhat bruised spirits. But we feel that the time has come for all of us to treasure the praise in our hearts and pledge ourselves to maintain Israel's refurbished image in our public and private lives.

We personally hadn't noticed the absence of the famous chiming when listening to the BBC's eight o'clock news and in any case had always been under the impression that they were recorded.

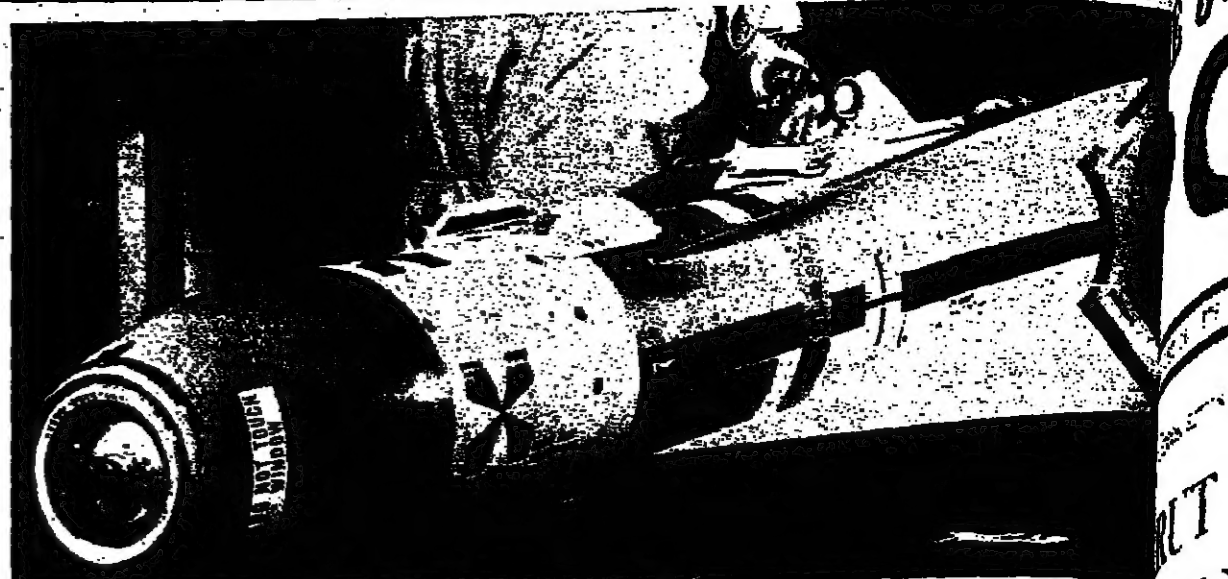
But the announcer told the world that something had gone wrong with the mechanism, metal fatigue or some such thing. To many, accustomed to hear the chiming in times of war and peace, strong and weak, sterling, loss or recovery of the Ashes and so on, the news must have come like a presage of doom.

WITH each successive Olympiad, as athletes run faster than ever before, the perennial question is asked: when will the ultimate performance be attained?

It is agreed that there must be a limiting factor. The most prevailing theory is that the ultimate athletic achievement relates to the ability to take in enough air into the lungs to oxygenate the blood and keep the heart working.

Britain's Sir Roger Bannister, who as a medical student was the first man to run a mile in less than four minutes, thinks the 3 min. 40 sec. barrier will be broken by the year 2000. John Walker, of New Zealand, who won the Olympic "metric mile," the 1,500 metres, in Montreal the other week, holds the present world record of 3 min. 49.4 sec.

An English scientist now theorizes that the fastest time for the mile — based on his tests claiming to show the maximum possible oxygen intake by humans — will be 3 min. 38 sec. It is interesting to note that a statistician decided in 1974 that man would never run faster than 4 min. 12.75 sec. for the mile.



The proposed U.S. arms deal with Saudi Arabia, includes the sale of 1,500 Maverick air-to-ground missiles. Maverick, shown here, is guided to its target by a tiny television camera installed in its

THE VAGARIES OF U.S. ARMS SALES

U.S. arms sales, including proposed massive supplies to Saudi Arabia, are dictated more by the whims of Secretary of State Kissinger than by Pentagon military planners. This could have disastrous consequences for Israel, writes HIRSH GOODMAN from Washington.

AMERICAN MILITARY OFFICIALS — so it would appear after two days of talks here — no longer have the convenient black and white picture they once did concerning Israel's defense needs. Many gray areas have infiltrated the simplistic rationales of the past.

Whereas it was once a truism that the Pentagon and the State Department took different views about the manner in which Israel should be handled, today there seems to be a unified policy in the buildings on both sides of the Potomac.

In brief, the logic formulated by State Department and Pentagon technocrats that will guide American policy in the Middle East (to a large degree regardless of the outcome of the November election) is that Israel now has enough fire-power to repulse an attack by the combined Arab armies within two weeks with "acceptable" casualties.

This assessment, it is claimed, will hold true regardless of massive arms purchases by peripheral Arab states over the next few years, of the outcome of the fighting in Lebanon, and of the evident weakening of NATO on the southern flank.

The current cause celebre here is the massive supply of arms and munitions that America has undertaken to deliver to Saudi Arabia. Prime Minister Rabin's statement in the Knesset on July 28 that such supplies are inconsequential, led to some very red pro-Israel faces in the Pentagon and the State Department, and to some very smug faces among those who have been pushing for the deal.

RABIN'S STATEMENT was criticized as ill-advised and foolish by both Americans and Israelis who devote much of their time and energies to ensuring a secure Israel.

The threat to arm Saudi Arabia cannot be seen in a vacuum. The decision is part of an overall State Department policy that, if allowed to continue unchecked, could have disastrous consequences for Israel. From what one can gather from disgruntled Pentagon officials here, the military planners are losing control of the dissemination of American arms.

Who gets what, is no longer dependent on military intelligence, but on what Henry Kissinger promised a particular king, prince, or other head of state at some time or other.

There is no correlation, the Pentagon men claim, between the need for arms, the ability to absorb them, and their supply. Nor is enough attention being given to the ultimate destination or use of the arms.

On the question of third-party transfers, it transpires that American officials are far more concerned about potential transgressions by Israel than by Saudi Arabia or other Arab states.

THERE IS A NEW perception in Washington that Israel is currently to be denied unlimited access to advanced technological systems. That America is making difficulties for Israel in acquiring technological know-how was confirmed by a senior Israeli official.

As reported in The Jerusalem Post on Friday, American officials are now looking very closely at the wording of the no-transfer clause in the Foreign Military Sales Act as it applies to Israel. There is a potential for making problems, not only with regard to the export of the Kfir, but virtually to every piece of military equipment that leaves Israel.

Whether the threat to impose sanctions will ever be carried out is not the point. What is important, and indicative of where the Administration stands right now in its relationship with Israel, is that officials are taking a close look at something that two years ago, say, would never have been questioned. There is a definite suspicion of Israel.

I also discovered that the Boeing Corporation in Seattle, which is now developing hydrofoils for the U.S. Navy, was very hesitant to let Israelis have a close look at their wares.

"You gentlemen have established a reputation of being industrial cheats," I was told by a man who should know what he is talking about and who has a reputation of being a close friend of Israel.

IN SHORT, there is the feeling here that Israel's orders and its requests for a peek at American technology are no longer linked purely with the

country's defense needs with the business acumen of Israeli generals. Again, when reputation is deserved is another question: the point is that what people here are thinking.

The Arabs find a very symmetrical in the mid-and upper echelons of the State Department and the Pentagon. There is a perceived Israeli would be a far strategic asset if there were peace in the Middle East. If this could only be achieved, Israel would be more prepared to make common cause with the U.S.

Officials here fear a Lebanese situation, which would lead the Arabs and neutral terrorists, will again lead several of them into a complacency which would not be to the harmonious relations of U.S. Furthermore, they are very convincing about why the U.S. should be arms unlimited to Saudi Arabia.

Another bone of contention does not seem to be resolved though Pentagon officials at it has been, is the disparity American and Israeli intelligence estimates with regard to the power.

It has long been public knowledge that after the CIA and Congress what Israel can be an overly optimistic balance of Middle East. Israel's favor, Israel's estimates were way because they failed to in potential held by non-com Arab states, which possess quantities of military equipment that Israel does not.

The Americans to this day they do include arms and held by the non-confrontational but only those arms which could be mobilized event of an all-out war.

In the ultimate analysis, there is still a tremendous sensitivity to Israel's survival. This is what has eroded, however, clarity of the special relationship Israel once had with the U.S.

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